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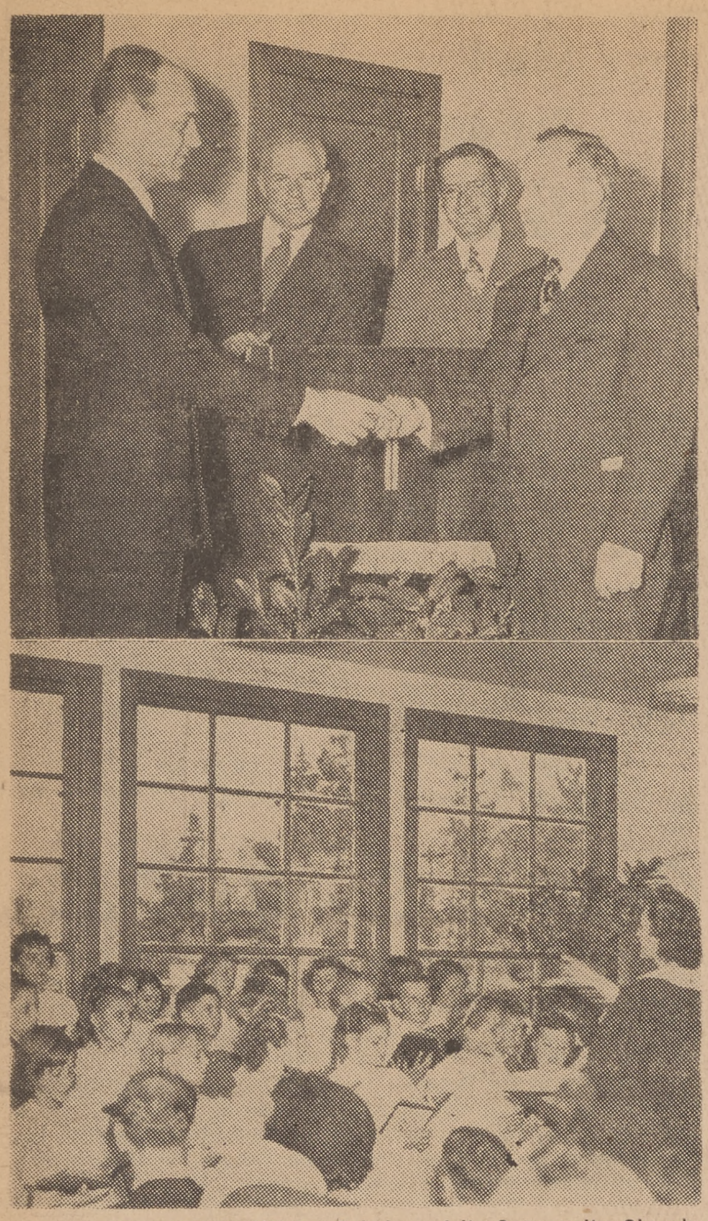
Greyhound Agrees to Improve Service



ANOTHER MILESTONE for Orinda and its Community Church was reached last Sunday at the dedication of the church's second unit, the Children's Building. Ralph Sisson, front right, presents the building's keys to vice-chairman Ralph Phelps, with Rev. Fred Morrow, rear left, and William Penn Mott Jr., chairman of the building committee, looking on. Pictured below is part of the junior choir which sang for the occasion. Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Tomme directs the groups. (Photos by Leveskis).

Dedication Services Held Sunday

Dedication services were held last Sunday in the Orinda Community Church's Children's Unit, just completed. The dedicatory sermon was give by Rev. Ralph D. Hyslop, of the Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley, and the prayer of dedication by Rev. Sidney H. Buckham, extension director for the Northern California Congregational Conference. The litany of consecration was led by Rev. Kennon Tomme.

Choirs of the church participated in the ceremony, the junior choir appearing in vestments consisting of white surplices and blue skirts. Choir boys were set off with blue bow ties. Both choirs were directed by Mrs. Tomme.

Presentation of keys was made by Ralph C. Sisson, supervising architect, to R. H. Phelps, vice-chairman of the Board of Trustees, and a statement was made by William Penn Mott, Building committee chairman. Nursery school and several other week-day activities will be transferred to the new unit.

Workman Killed In Sewer Cave In

Construction of the main sewer line between Lafayette and Moraga took a second life Thursday morning, with the death of Ed Leal, powder man for Martin Brothers contractors.

Setting powder caps preparatory to blasting near St. Mary's College, Leal, about 60 years old, was caught in a cave-in of the sewer trench and was buried to the waist. He talked to those who helped dig him out, but died about 25 minutes later.

Exact cause of the death awaits the autopsy, but heart attack or shock could have been responsible. Dr. Joseph Vizzard attempted treatment, but without success. Lafayette Fire Department helped remove Leal from the ditch. Deputy Coroner Harold McCrum was called to the case.

Leal lived at 4023 Quigley Avenue, Oakland and is survived by one dependent, Mrs. Leal.

John Mason, Sanitary District manager, stated that Leal was readying another round of dynamite to blast through the shale when the accident occured. Forty-five minutes previously dynamite was used.

The cave in caused a water main to break, with work being halted as a lake of water was formed.

Legislators Ask Probe of P.T.&T.

A proposal to investigate the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, its parent company and its supply subsidiary, was asked in a resolution before the Assembly Rules Committee.

The measure asks a $25,000 appropriation to inquire into "the operation, revenues and financial condition" of the concern. The inquiry would "probe the extent to which telephone service meets the needs of the people of the state."

Authors of the resolution, Assemblyman Robert Condon, of Richmond, and 24 other Democratic assemblymen, contend that such a study should be made before any rate increases are granted by the Public Utilities Commission.

Cubs Join March Of Dimes Drive

Each den in Orinda Cub Pack No. 32 is planning to help the March of Dimes campaign by making door to door calls in neighborhoods throughout the community.

The Pack will be working under the direction of Cubmaster Al Myer and the den mothers, though each unit is to decide the extent of its own participation in this activity, says John Barchfield, Cub committee chairman.

Mrs. Ernest Spiegl, March of Dimes chairman, is planning to phone den mothers soon regarding the project. It is unusual for Cubs to solicit funds in their neighborhoods, Barchfield declared, but inasmuch as Polio strikes so many youngsters, the boys want to do their part.

Zoning Demands To be Reiterated At Tuesday Meet

Representatives of the Orinda Association, various neighborhood improvement groups and individuals, as well as spokesmen for the real estate and land developing interests, are today preparing for the special zoning hearing before the County Planning Commission Tuesday evening at 7:30 in the Hall of Records, Martinez.

Residents and their representative organizations are planning to press their demands for the zoning of parcels of land in certain sections into larger units.

In most cases, residents are asking for one-half acre parcels as a minimum instead of one-quarter acre. Restriction of the business zone at the Crossroads is also being sought.

The land companies and developers are seeking the smaller parcels.

The Orinda Association has protested the proposed zoning as recommended by the County Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors ordered additional studies to be made by the Commissioners.

Notice of the hearing has been posted throughout Orinda with pertinent maps and data, available at the Firehouse. A few copies of these maps, as first published in the ORINDA SUN, have been kept. If you wish one, drop a note to the SUN, Box 147, Orinda.

New Directors To Be Inducted

The newly elected directors will be inducted at the meeting of the directors of the Orinda Association Monday at 7:30 p.m. at the Firehouse.

At that time results from ballots which were mailed to the residents will be reported. Names appearing on the ballot are Andrew Blalock, Wayne Littlejohn, Mrs. Ernest Spiegl, and Robert Spott. Four directors are to be elected.

Outgoing directors are Ritchie Smith, Edgar Stewart, C. B. Chantler and George Hauerken.

At Monday's meeting new officers will be chosen from the recently elected directors. Discussion of the zoning hearing on Tuesday evening and selection of representatives to be present at the hearing will be discussed.

Hospital Branch Meets Tuesday

The Orinda Branch of the Children's Hospital met Tuesday morning at the Country Club at 11 o'clock.

Newly elected officers taking over at the year's first meeting are Mrs. Ted Beckett, chairman; Mrs. Quentin Reynolds, co-chairman; Mrs. Vad Jelton, secretary; and Mrs. Roger Stark, treasurer.

Let's Talk About the Weather Again

By OUR WEATHER OBSERVER

Orinda has walked off with the frozen laurel wreath this week in recognition of its teeth-chattering low of 16 degrees Sunday night. Lafayette too reached down to the thermometer depths but Orinda won by an icicle.

Bay area dailies have chronicled the local deep freeze in stories and pictures published the past few days. It probably comforts chilled Oakland - San Francisco readers to learn that Contra Costa residents are even colder than they are.

STILL COLD

The local scene is almost unchanged this week except for additional cold weather garments that have made their way from the family trunk to street wear in Lafayette and Orinda. Father's duck hunting socks, woolen underwear, and Minnesota mufflers which make the wearer resemble a walking beehive, are among the latest fashions.

Garden plants, shrubs and assorted trivia also have fallen prey to the cold. Solicitous owners are finally draping them in family cast offs to prevent loss of less hardy species. The weather observer even has one tiny shrub completely enshrowded in a pair of Mr. Weather Observer's old gaily printed cotton shorts.

Frozen radiators have been rare now that every one is accustomed to cold weather precautions. However, lots of folks did forget that garden hoses usually have water left in them. As a result, several formerly useful models are now spattered hither and yon throughout the yard. (Frozen water will expand, you know).

The weather observer is confident this can't go on much longer, but then it wasn't supposed to be possible in the first place. In any event, we can think and dream of that 106 degree temperature last summer, can't we?

Lafayette's claim to cold-weather fame is the beautiful ice gardens at Wright Brothers Nursery. Watering to break the cold, Bert Wright later discovered lovely formations of ice on the shrubs and trees.

Word spread rapidly and camera fans came trouping in to Wright's Winter Wonderland.

FREEZING WEATHER last Sunday did not deter the Ernie Spiegl family, ably assisted by Raymond Orr, from pitching in on the tree planting project at the Community Center. Seen, left to right, are Raymond Orr, Ernie, Robera and John Spiegl. See adjoining story. (Photo by Leveskis).

Stoffel Appointed To Commission

John L. Stoffel was appointed this week a member of the Contra Costa Planning Commission.

Stoffel is manager of the American Trust Company branch in Orinda, and president of the Orinda School Board of Trustees.

He succeeds William Penn Mott Jr. who could no longer serve on the commission because the Oakland city charter prevents employees of that city from holding other positions.

Mott is City Park Superintendent of Oakland and also has been serving the City of San Leandro as landscape engineer. He has not attended planning commission meetings nor received a salary from the county since his right to hold the planning commission post was challenged last April.

S. G. Culver Chosen As New President

S. G. Culver was elected president at the general meeting of the Moraga Woodlands Association held at the George Tonkin home, Oak Drive, Monday evening.

Oscar Giem was named vice president; Ken Hauter, secretary; George Horton, treasurer; and Theodore Crook and Ray Malone, board members.

Committee members have not yet been selected, according to Mr. Culver. Directors remaining on the board are Jack Bowers and George Tonkin.

After election and induction of officers, the zoning hearing set for Tuesday in Martinez was discussed. Members were asked to appear at the hearing to reiterate the association's stand in the curren zoning proposal.

Mothers Club To See Play

The regular monthly meeting of the Orinda Mothers Club will be held on Tuesday afternoon, at 1:45 o'clock.

Everyone is asked to be as prompt as possible, as the fifth grade will present the play Hansel and Gretel, and these children must take the three o'clock bus.

The tea after the business meeting will be sponsored by the fourth grade. The room mothers, Mrs. J. W. Rupley and Mrs. O. N. Giem, will be chairmen of the committee.

A board meeting was held on Monday, at the home of Mrs. R. D. Harrison.

RETURNS FROM TRIP

Jack Rechtiene of 33 Barbara Road just returned from a business trip in the Northwest.

Orindans Brave The Cold to Plant Trees at Center

Despite bitter cold and inclement weather a dozen doughty Orindans braved these perils last Sunday to complete the final portion of Orinda Garden Club's threefold planting program.

These representative of local civic organizations put the finishing touches on the Community Center, reports Mrs. Alden Macomber, publicity chairman. Previously completed were planting of the traffic triangle at San Pablo Dam Road and El Toyonal and 700 trees in the grammar school grounds and portions of the Community Center.

Those who worked Sunday are R. D. Harrison, A. W. Elkinton, Mr. and Mrs. G. Chester Brown, Bob Spott, Mr and Mrs. Ernest Spiegl, Mrs Ed Solinsky, Mrs. Malcolm Lamb, Neill East and three gentlemen whose names were not recorded.

Sewer Line No. 4 Is Completed

Main sewer trunk line No. 4, between Charles Hill and a point above the Orinda Country Club, has been completed.

At last week's meeting of the directors of the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District the line was accepted for the District. A major part of the evening was devoted to a discussion of the problems of installing side sewers before the lateral sewer system in specific improvement districts has been accepted by the District.

Mrs. Gore Elected 12-15 President

The 12-15 Club met at the home of Mrs. Richard Hafner Tuesday at noon. At this meeting Mrs. Challis Gore was elected president; Mrs. James D. Chappell, chairman of ways and means committee assisted by Mrs. James Sullivan; Mrs. Kenneth Anderson, Orinda 2894, telephone chairman; Mrs. Claude Donaldson, welfare chairman; and Mrs. George Hickok, publicity chairman.

It was voted to continue as their major project work for the Booth Memorial of the Salvation Army, and to send four more Care subscriptions. The next meeting will be at the Leo Alexander home, January 25.

SORORITY MEETING

California Kappa Chapter of Phi Epsilon Phi Sorority held its first 1949 meeting Minday night in its club-rooms in Oakland.

Chapter members from Orinda are Mesdames Miriam Bridwell and Eve Nelson.

Utilities Comm. Study Reveals Three Complaints

The State Public Utilities Commission has taken action on complaints lodged by the Orinda Association against Pacific Greyhound Lines' operation between Orinda and San Francisco.

As the result of a letter written by Clarence Betz, secretary, the Commission surveyed this operation between November 29 and December 6, 1948 and found three major complaints against the company. Presentation of these criticisms to Greyhound officials has brought forth agreement to cooperate in eradicating difficulties, according to a reply received from Warren K. Brown, Director of Transportation, Public Utilities Commission.

LIST FAILINGS

The trio of failings disclosed by the engineering division's research are:

1. Buses are not operated according to schedule. During the commute periods the buses operate behind schedule.
2. Passengers are refused transportation in some instances because buses are loaded.
3. Some Orinda passengers have to stand to San Francisco.

AGREEMENT REACHED

Brown goes on to state: "The following has been agreed to by the carrier involved:

1. Every effort will be made to operate the buses on time. This should tend to equalize the loads, as the primary reason for heavily loaded buses was that some buses were late and others were on time, thereby putting extra passengers on the late buses.
2. By operating exactly on time no passengers should be refused transportation. However, if a heavy period develops where passups occur, an adjustment will be made to alleviate the condition.
3. Schedules will be adjusted in an effort to establish a more uniform load condition. However, all carriers are permitted to carry standees, and it is common practice for bus companies to carry standees during the peak periods. In this connection we quote Rule 2.08 of our General Order 93-A which states:

"Standees shall under no circumstances be permitted on any passenger stage other than those operating in urban service, and in urban service shall not be permitted unless the major portion of the aisle head room is 6'2" or more. The number of standees who shall be permitted on any passenger stage operating in urban service shall not exceed the number which could reasonably and safely be accommodated without crowding, and each standee shall be supplied with a grab handle or other means of support. Standees shall not be permitted to occupy a position which will interfere with the view of the driver necessary for safe operation. Provided, however, that to accommodate a passenger desiring transportation to or from a municipality or trading center along its route, a passenger stage corporation may, when no seats are available, carry such a passenger as a standee on its stage engaged in intercity operation a distance up to but not exceeding 25 miles."

The Commission letter concludes, "we hope improvement of this operation is to your satisfaction." If such improvement is achieved, it is the direct result of Betz' letter for the Orinda Association, pointing out the original deficiencies of Greyhound service in this area.

No More Puddle Jumping Meets

Orinda's favorite sport during the rainy season has been "Puddle Jumping" with annual championships held in the area between the Vashell Building and Black's Market.

We've developed some mighty fine jumpers in our day — but alas those days are gone forever.

At last the county has fulfilled its promise to surface this area and, of course, you've seen the results. The road has been surfaced and engineered so the water will drain off.

Yep, Orinda is becoming more civilized every day.

Here's Weekly Report from Your Legislator

By ASSEMBLYMAN ROBERT L. CONDON

This is the first in a series of weekly reports from your Assemblyman in Sacramento. These reports are an attempt to keep the Contra Costa voters a little better informed on how the California legislative process works. In addition, I hope that a weekly column on pending legislation, the forces opposing and supporting various bills, and a general discussion of what is going on at the State Capitol may help to establish regular communication between the people of Contra Costa County and the Assemblyman they elected. So far as possible, the column will be objective and informative, and every effort will be made to avoid distortion or propogandizing of any sort.

The regular session of the Legislature officially convened Monday of last week, and after taking the oath and greeting old friends, the legislators settled down to the hard job of drawing legislation for our tremendously expanded state.

All bills must be introduced in January. The Legislature then recesses for thirty days to permit the people to examine the pending legislation and advise their legislators before they return to start voting on the bills in March.

I emphasize this because if there is any matter in which you are interested, and which you feel needs legislative action, I urge you to contact either myself or State Senator George Miller, Jr., and make your views known during the month of January so that legislation may be introduced before the constitutional recess.

TO HEAR WARREN

On January 3, both Houses convened jointly to hear the opening address of Governor Warren. His hour-long message, ranging over a broad field, has stirred considerable controversy among Democrats and Republicans alike. Some of his recommendations, such as the proposal for health insurance and the inclusion of farm workers under the Unemployment Insurance program, has raised bitter opposition within the Republican Party itself. Other proposals, including improvement of the workmen's compensation scale and an increase in disability benefits, will undoubtedly be carried out.

Probably the most controversial part of his message related to fund-raising and the appropriation of monies, problems in part created by the passage of Proposition 4 last November. Proposition 4, you remember, increased old age and blind pensions. The Governor urged the imposition of additional taxes and he particularly stated his opposition to the use of any presently accumulated funds to pay the current costs of government.

Most of the funds on hand in the Tresaury are ear-marked for needed construction of state hospitals, prisons and other building that could not be done during the war. Some legislators are against any further taxes and would use the money on hand for the pension program.

SAME OFFICERS IN

During this first week, both the Senate and Assembly reelected the same officers they had during the 1947 and 1948 sessions. Assemblyman Sam L. Collins, of Orange County, is speaker, or presiding officer of the Assembly; and Thomas Maloney, of San Francisco, is Speaker Pro Tempore. In the Senate, Lt. Governor Goodwin Knight, of course, presides; and Senator Harold J. Powers, of Eagleville, is speaker pro tempore.

The Democrats, in a hot race, elected Julian Beck over Ralph C. Dills, both of Los Angeles, as Assembly minority leader. Randall Dickey, of Alamada, was again the Republican choice for floor leader. There are 45 Republicans and 34 Democrats in the Assembly (one seat being vacant). The Senate has 26 Republicans and 14 Democrats.

Senator Miller and I co-sponsored legislation, which was passed this week expressing the sympathy of the State Legislature over the untimely death of former State Senator Will Sharkey, of Martinez. Each of us has a number of bills we have introduced or plan to introduce. I will comment on some of these matters in next week's report.

WHAT ARE YOUR VIEWS?

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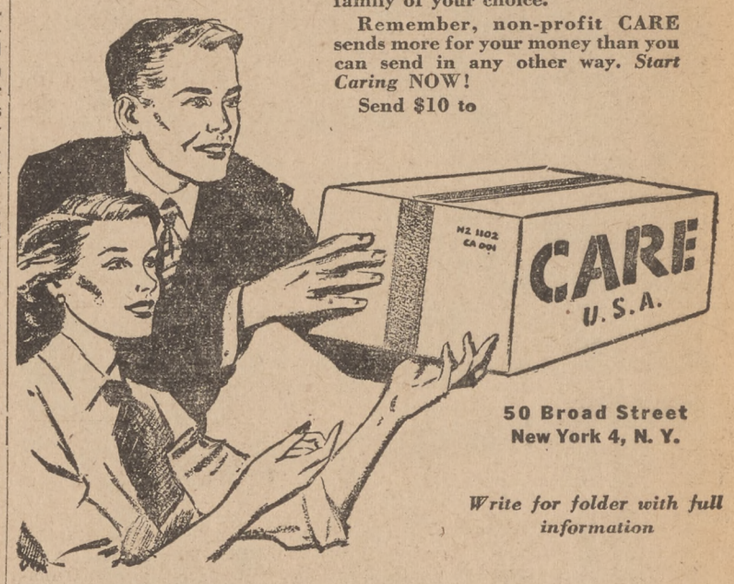

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Junior College Trustees Named

A Board of five trustees have been appointed for the recently formed Contra Costa County Junior College District, it was announced this week by County Superintendent of Schools B. O. Wilson.

Appointees were O. J. Wohlgemuth of Walnut Creek, George Gordon of Martinez, Bert Coffey of Richmond, G. E. Brombacher of Richmond and Fred R. Abbott of Brentwood.

PERMANENT BOARD

Five trustees to be elected at the May school election and will replace the appointed directors on July 1.

On January 24, the temporary board will choose a permanent time and place for its sessions and choose an official name for the district.

The temporary board will act in an advisory capacity for the permanent board, but will have no power to make a budget or select a college site.

WOHLGEMUTH'S Background

Wohlgemuth, a Walnut Creek business man, was chairman of the survey committee which originally recommended formation of the junior college district.

He retired a year ago from the vice-presidency of a San Francisco baking corporation, with which he was associated for eight years, is a member of the Walnut Creek Lions Club and Chamber of Commerce, of the California Historical Society, and a trustee of Oak Grove school board.

GORDON, A LAWYER

Gordon, a partner in the law firm of Carlson, Collins & Gordon since 1942, was a member of the Richmond school faculty before he studied law. He saw four years of Army service during World War II, and was with the military government in Germany prior to his release from duty. He is a past president of the Martinez Kiwanis Club and a member of the Elks lodge.

A partner with State Senator George Miller Jr. in a publicity and advertising firm in Richmond, Coffey is secretary of the Democratic County Central Committee, and is a graduate of New York University.

BROMBACHER'S Background

Brombacher, manager of the Independent Printing Company of Richmond, is a veteran of World War II, serving in the Navy as a lieutenant, and is a graduate of the University of California.

A resident of Brentwood since 1932, Abbott is engaged in the insurance business there. He is a trustee of the Oakley Union school board.

Postage Rate Raise in Effect

Increased postage rates are now effective on air mail, third class mail and special service fees, according to an official U. S. Mail bulletin. The raise went in force January 1, 1949 pursuant to an enabling act passed by Congress last July.

Air mail rate is six cents, a raise of one cent. Rates on third class mail (limit 8 ounces) are as follows: circulars, miscellaneous printed matter, and merchandise, 2 cents for the first 2 ounces or fraction thereof, plus 1 cent for each additional ounce or fraction thereof. Books, catalogs having 24 or more pages, seeds, cuttings, bulbs, roots, scions, and plants, 1½ cents for each 2 ounces or fraction thereof.

BULK MAILING

Bulk mailings, if prepared and presented to the Post Office in accordance with rules set down in Section 562, Postal Laws and Regulations, 1940, receive a special rate, the bulletin points out. All individuals or companies now holding third class mailing permits under this section or applying for same, must first pay a $10 annual fee before bulk mailings will be accepted.

Payment of this amount entitles the permit holder to mail separately addressed identical pieces of third class mail in bulk quantities. Specifically, the material must be not less than 20 pounds or 200 pieces to achieve the rate of 14 cents per pound or fraction thereof in the case of circulars, etc., as listed in the second paragraph, and 10 cents per pound or fraction thereof for catalogs, seeds, etc., as named in that same paragraph.

YEARLY FEE

The $10 fee is required only once each year by each mailer, though in case of printing firms, letter shops, etc. this amount must be paid for each customer for whom the company handles a mailing.

Payment of the stipulated sum permits the holder to pay postage by any one or all of the prescribed methods contained in section 562: precanceled Government-stamped envelopes, precanceled postage stamps affixed, or as metered or nonmetered matter. If it is desired to pay postage costs by a method for which a permit is not held, application must be made and a special permit obtained for the purpose. This action entails an additional $10 fee, which brings the total to $20.

Evening Classes To Start Jan. 31

On Monday, January 31, the spring semester of Acalanes evening school will begin, Neil M. Parsons, principal, announced this week.

Parsons said that he wished to make this announcement to correct a widespread impression of which he recently became aware that the spring session was beginning now. Like the day-school, the adult classes organized in the fall and will run until Friday, January 28.

However, inquiries regarding and requests for specific courses for the spring semester are especially desired at this time, the school head added. All courses for which there are an instructor, facilities, and a minimum enrollment of 15 persons will be gladly offered by the school, he said.

All classes now being given will be reoffered in the spring, if possible. In addition, it is planned to provide a training course for real-estate brokers.

ADMITTED TO LAW PRACTICE

Philip L. Evans of Lafayette was one of 238 new attorneys who passed their State Bar examinations last October and were formally admitted to practice this week. Ceremonies were held in San Francisco Tuesday.

Captain Sandford Sez:

It has been my good fortune to move about this old world somewhat freely and see and live in many different lands. Many of them were very beautiful and several were not. Unfortunately a long spell in the tropics left me in very poor health and I was forced to change my base of operations for a more healthy climate.

I thought of the Riviera . . . beautiful, but one required money to live there. I thought of my native country of Scotland . . . splendid, and very appealing, but the climate conditions leave much to be desired. And so on . . . Italy, Hong Kong, Canada, South America . . . each not suitable for one reason or another.

I ultimately chose this area and came here to live about 18½ years ago. Climatic conditions were almost ideal and the weather could always be predicted with considerable accuracy. So here I am now . . . breaking an inch and a half of ice on the horse trough, trying to dig a ditch in frozen ground, repairing leaks, and so on . . . and incidentally just liking it all fine.

I am wondering if the necessary requirements to teach others some certain function is to be totally incapable of performing that function oneself. For my money, if I were the pupil, I would prefer one who had made a big success in the chosen field himself. I notice such folks do not try to teach others but keep on quietly "Attending to their own kniting".

Last week's SUN gave me credit for a book-drop in the door of the Lafayette library. That was not right. This work was done without cost to the library by Charlie Krattenmaker, the genial and competent house building contractor.

This may make you laugh. It did not make me laugh when it happened but I can generate a mild chuckle when I think of it now. It is about bees. About 55 years ago or more when I was a little chap I wore the national dress of my country, the kilt.

On the occasion under consideration, my mother took me with her when she visited an old, retired Scotch sea captain, Mr. Peter Carse. While they were chatting, I received permission to go into the garden and look around. I quickly found rows of white boxes which looked somewhat like miniature houses.

Being energetic and curious by nature I proceeded to investigate and lifted the top off one . . . my first and only close inspection of a beehive in full operation.

I took off round that garden fast, the center of an angry, buzzing, stinging cloud of bees. When I was finally secured and hog-tied and most of the bees had been removed I required the immediate and concentrated attention of a doctor.

If I ever have any ideas about my own appearance, I can assure you that Peter Carse's statement to my mother will always remain in my mind. Said he, "Mrs. Sandford, he wasn't a beauty at the best, but he certainly is an ugly lookin' deevil now."

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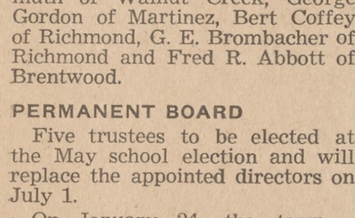

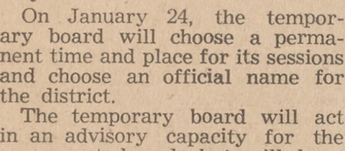

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Garry Fulcher, Polio Victim, Learns That Santa Claus is Color Blind

By PATSY TRIMBLE

Five-year-old Garry Fulcher is no doubt quite surprised that Santa Claus is colorblind, but he really doesn't mind.

The little polio victim's mother says Garry is so attached to the tiny azure-eyed black Persian kitty St. Nick left that he is not at all upset because it wasn't the blond blue-eyed model he originally ordered.

YELLOW KITTY

Last week the SUN published a story on the boy's wish for a yellow kitty, which his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Fulcher of Lafayette, were trying desperately to locate before their son came home from Childrens Hospital, San Francisco. Garry had spent eight weeks in the hospital fighting Infantile Paralysis.

When the doctors said he could leave, Mr. and Mrs. Fulcher asked the boy what he wanted as a belated Christmas gift, the originally-planned two-wheel bike being temporarily impractical. Immediately he requested a small blond cat.

NOT THE SEASON

It seems this just isnt baby cat season, particularly yellow kitty season. Mrs. Fulcher looked everywhere — finally located the cuddly white-footed black Persian, which she says is very gentle. Garry took to it immediately and he and "Bootsie" are now best friends.

With Garry home, Mrs. Fulcher is busier than ever doing exercises and physio-therapy to make the little fellow well again. While she works vigorously (the exercises are trimming down her waisteline nicely, she adds), Garry has his kitty to play with and no one even gives a thought to Santa Claus' unfortunate case of colorblindness.

Red Cross Offers First Aid Course

Mrs. Karl Pape, chairman of the Red Cross first aid committee, announced a first aid course is currently being given at chapter headquarters, 1607 Locust Street, Walnut Creek. The initial lesson was given Monday, but those interested are asked to get in touch with Mrs. Pape, Lafayette 2126.

Mrs. John Irving, chapter head, emphasizes the need for recruits to the motor corps. The number of available drivers has been so reduced that those remaining have been obliged to give additional hours at considerable inconvenience, she explained.

REQUIREMENT LISTED

....Motor ..Corps ..chairman, ..Mrs. Motor Corps chairman, Mrs. Fern Pike of Walnut Creek, said that a few qualified drivers on a reserve list would relieve the situation measurably. Mrs. Pike may be reached at Walnut Creek 2506.

Qualifications for a regularly enrolled member of the motor corps include the simplified first aid course being given by Mrs. Pape, according to Red Cross regulations.

Motor corps service is tied to that of the Gray Ladies, hospital entertainment committee, and home service, in addition to transporting chapter personnel when on Red Cross business.

Thursday, January 20 has been selected as the date for a county-wide home service conference to be held in Walnut Creek with field workers from Pacific Area office present to instruct in overall Red Cross home service obligations and policies. Home service secretaries and committee members from the five county chapters will offer problems for discussion, according to Mrs. John Basham, secretary of the local home service committee.

CIVIL SERVICE JOBS

The United States Civil Service Commission today announced examinations for Cartographic Survey Aid, Highway Engineer and Highway Bridge Engineer, and Bacteriologist (Antibiotics). Written tests are not requried for any of these examinations. Further information may be obtained at the Post Office.

Honor Students Visit Stanford

A preview of the forthcoming collegiate chapter of their lives was afforded 44 Acalanes students Monday when they made an all-day inspection tour of Stanford University in Palo Alto.

The group was a contingent of the Acalanes branch of the California Scholarship Federation, the state's high school academic honor society. They were making their annual tour of a nearby college campus of their choice as a sort of self-indoctrination for things to come.

Accompained by Vera Richardson, faculty sponsor, the students were given a conducted tour of the interest spots of the university and a first-hand view of college students at work.

Library Board Members To Appoint Officers

The new board members of the Lafayette Cooperative Library Association will hold their first meeting Tuesday, at 8 p.m. at the Lafayette Library, at which time the President and Secretary-Treasurer will be appointed.

Wallace to Take Office at Meeting

At a dinner meeting to be held Monday, Lawrence Wallace of Lafayette will be installed as President of the Contra Costa Real Estate Board for 1949. He will be installed by his brother, W. Ed Wallace, President of the California Real Estate Association, also a member of the local board. The affair will be held at Alsam's in Lafayette.

Lawrence Wallace has done an outstanding job for the past two years as Secretary-Treasurer of the Contra Costa Real Estate Board and as incoming President he has prepared a comprehensive program to work in conjunction with civic activities of the County. Included in this program is an educational course to be held at Acalanes High School, which is open to the public.

CEREMONIES HELD

Inaugural ceremonies were recently held in Oakland, at which Ed Wallace was installed as President of the California Real Estate Association. He had just returned from a three-week tour of eastern states, including attendance at the convention of the National Association of Real Estate Boards in New York.

Officers for 1949 of the local board who will be installed at the meeting include: Buck Johnson, Vice President; Barney Gilbert, Secretary-Treasurer; Arleen Harrold, President Womens Division; Bill Boies, Orinda Division and Ben Hamlin, Salesmens Division.

INSTALLATION

Eugene P. Conser, State Secretary of the Association will assist in the installation.

Other Real Estate Boards invited to the installation and recepion are the Richmond, El Cerrito, Berkeley, Oakland, Concord and Martinez Boards.

MART MEETING

Motion pictures of the California-Northwestern Rose Bowl game were shown at the Real Estate Mart's regular Monday morning breakfast meeting, Alsam's, this week. Harlan Geldermann, chairman, procured the films.

Other events on the agenda this month include a Mart committee meeting January 19, 4 p.m., in the Highland Realty Office, Walnut Creek and a board of directors conference January 24, 12 noon, Alsam's.

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Motorists Urged to Get License Now

John Harvey, manager of the Department of Motor Vehicles office at Martinez (930 Ward St.), today urged Orinda and Lafayette motorists to avoid the last-minute rush by renewing their registrations at once.

"It has been our experience that a large number of motorists delay until the last few days before penalties go into effect at midnight, February 4, to renew their registrations," Harvey said. "Then they become exasperated because they have to wait in line."

The manager said immediate service can be obtained now. He cautioned motorists to bring both copies of their business machine-prepared potential registration card or their typed potential registration card with attachments, depending on which was received.

If a potential registration card has not been received, renewal may be effected on the 1948 white registration card, the official explained. If an applicant does not receive a 1948 registration document or a potential registration card by January 20, he should consult the nearest Department of Motor Vehicles office.

By using the potential registration card to renew, the applicant will receive his 1949 license tabs and white registration card immediately. Nothing will be mailed to him later.

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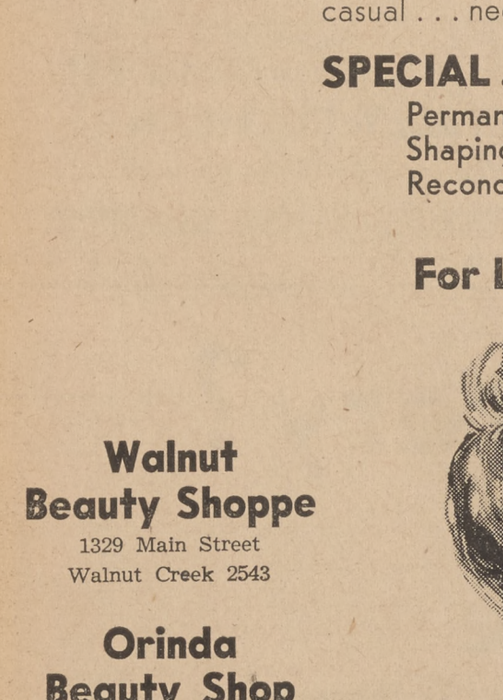

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BY CONSTANCE HANSEN

Gardening makes a person much more weather conscious than he would be otherwise. ..I know I never really paid a great deal of attention to the weather until 1932 when I had a garden of my own for the first time. The winter of that year happened also to be memorable for the depth to which the mercury fell, and has since been called by garden enthusiasts of the Bay Area, the year of the Big Freeze. In January of 1936 there occurred another unusual cold spell, but this January of 1949 gives future winter weather a new low to aim for.

Unwelcome as such cold spells may be, they give us a standard by which to judge the hardiness of our garden plants. If we want to grow only those which are entirely safe, all we have to do is to observe which plants went through unscathed in our immediate neighborhood.

Occassionally one finds a nursery catalogue which states either the zones in which each plant may be grown, or else how much frost it will stand, as far as has been determined. One such catalogue is Garden Aristocrats put out by the W. B. Clarke Nursery of San Jose, and another is that of Armstrong Nurseries of Ontario, California. These are handy guides to follow, although conditions in the individual garden may make it possible to grow safely plants of borderline hardiness.

Most of us are just curious or sporting enough to always be wanting to try some of the plants more suitable for milder climates than ours. In order that our occasional failure with them shall not be too disappointing, we should not assign them to important places in the garden, where their passing would leave a bad gap in the planting.

CHOOSE HARDY ONES

The growing of temperemental plants should be left to the garden hobbyist, who finds his recreation in caring for them. The person who plants his garden as he furnishes his house, purely as a setting for the house, and to be useful as a source of flowers, or as outdoor living room, is wise to choose such plants as are hardy and drought resistant. Each one should be chosen carefully for the space it is to occupy, so that it will not need constant trimming to keep within bounds.

A garden of this type will consist almost entirely of shrubs and trees, and is often more attractive than gardens which involve a lot more work. However, it is the garden most in need of careful planning, since its owner will not enjoy having to dig plants and reset them in the event they prove unsuitable in the original site.

For a rough hillside which is too steep to garden easily, or which is desired simply as a background for the patio, or perhaps the approach to the house, a planting of some of our California natives would work out well. The ubiquitous Monterey pine could be used on the outer edges, or if something a little different was desired, the Incense cedar, with foliage resembling that of a coarse arborvitae, would be just as drought resistant, and almost as rapid a grower. Among the broadleaved evergreens the tan-bark oak and the Catalina ironwood offer interesting possibilities as background plants.

SCREEN PLANTING

In the foreground of the screen planting, the taller wild lilacs and manzanitas could be faced down with the medium tall kinds and the prostrate forms. Perhaps off to one side room should be made for at least one Fremontia, which is happiest on sloping ground away from the reach of the garden hose.

Few people realize how attractive the manzanitas can be under cultivation. The foliage is clean-looking the year round; the flowers are borne early in the year, and are all the more valuable for that reason, while the berries, or "little apples", which follow are also ornamental. The flowers are mostly pink and white, and large stands of some manzanita species look from a distance like apple orchards blooming out of season, since some of them flower as early as December.

Everyone who has lived here for any length of time is familiar with the manazanitas and wild lilacs, but there are a few other shrubs common to the chaparral associations which are not so well known, but which I think would be useful and attractive in hillside plantings, and which would add the spice of novelty. I'm thinking of such things as the little scrub oaks, the chinquapin, or wild chestnut, and the brilliant chaparral pea, or Pickeringia.

The chinquapin has lovely foliage, bright yellow green on top, with a soft buff reverse, and the chestnuts are interesting too. The Pickeringia has brilliant magenta flowers, which go well with the bright blue wild lilacs. The leaves are rather small, and the plant is spiny, but branches, spines, and leaves are all a deep bluish green.

Officer Jamason To Tour States

State Police Officer, Harry Jamason, was home for the Christmas and New Year's holidays while on duty at the Palace of Fine Arts in San Francisco, where a pre-view of the California Centennials commission's Historical Caravan was on display.

Mr. Jamason is one of the guards who will travel with the caravan throughout the state for the next two years.

The Caravan will be on exhibit in every city and town having a population of 1000 or more.

It consists of two busses of exhibits, of history of the state, going back four centuries.

Among the exhibits displayed is the small leather-bound bible of Father Junipero Serra, the golden spike which joined the east and west extension of the transcontinental railroad, an original drawing by James W. Marshall and the original copy of a newspaper, The California, which proclaimed the discovery of gold at Sutter Creek, which flashed all over the world, and many other priceless mementoes of the state's past.

During the pre-view held in San Francisco among the guests who signed the Official Guest Register were Admiral and Mrs. Chester Nimitz, Archbishop Mitty and wife and members of many Historical Societies.

The Caravan moved to Sacramento last weekend and is now at the State Fair Grounds, where a pre-view will be held, by invitation only, before the Caravan is open to the public.

The official tour will start January 17, when the exhibit will be open to the public at the Capitol Park.

After the showing in Sacramento, the caravan will leave for Los Angeles and tour the southern part of California.

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Circus Theme At Padgett Gathings' Party

The decorations were in keeping with the circus motif at Padgett Gathings fourth birthday on Saturday, January 8th. Those attending were Kathy and Mary Baker, Mary Jo Dunn, Steven and Allen and Clay Sorrick, Barbara Lobdell from Concord and Padgett's brother, Mark.

Mrs. Thies Gives Luncheon Saturday

Miss Charlene Lyons was the honored guest at a luncheon last Saturday at the home of Mrs. Jack Thies on Las Cuesta Road.

Miss Lyons, whose engagement was announced at a tea last Sunday at her mother's home in Walnut Creek, will be married next month to Gerry Courde.

Surprise Party Given For Walter Nelson

Employees and staff members of the College Ave. Branch of Bank of America of Oakland had a pleasant surprise on Walter A. Nelson Sr. at his home on Victoria Lane in Lafayette. The affair was in commemoration of Mr. Nelson's serving as bank manager for thirty years. Mr. Nelson received many lovely gifts. The group then went to The Curve where dinner was served. About twenty attended.

School of Life Popular Course

Registrations are lining up for the six Sunday evenings of the Course in the School of Life, to begin January 30, at the Community Church.

Movies of six major foreign countries, refreshments, six discussion groups of six major modern problems, for all ages, a singing period and closing assembly will occupy two hours, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. No charge for registration. Major theme, The Family and Modern World problems.

Saturday Dance At Moraga School

The fifth of a series of monthly dances will be held Saturday night at 9 at the Moraga School, sponsored by the Moraga Mothers Club. The public is invited.

Mrs. William Ross is chairman of the event. Mrs. Les Wandel is poster chairman; Mrs. Arthur Fleuti, publicity; and Mrs. George Pimentel, refreshments.

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Parents Club Sets Double Meetings

A double set of meetings have been scheduled this month for Acalanes Parents Club, says Mrs. Alden Macomber, publicity chairman.

Monday finds the group gathering at 8 p.m. in the High School cafeteria. A program, which is not yet completely arranged, will be presented. Canyon and Moraga mothers are to act as co-hostesses for the evening.

A Board meeting is slated for the following night, Tuesday, in the school library.

Mrs. John Schroll, membership chairman, has announced that the freshman class won the contest for bringing in the most new parent members for the club. She will present $15 prize money to the class president at a school assembly this week, Mrs. Macomber says.

NEW RESIDENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gudnason are occupying their new home on Sibert Court and are especially proud of the fact that it was exhibited at Breuner's architectural exhibit last spring, and appeared in the last issue of California Homes Magazine as an ideal California residence. Sewall Smith was the architect.

CONTRACTORS to MEET HERE

The first of a series of joint meetings of the Home Builders Council of California with a member Association of that group, will be held Tuesday, January 18. Host for the dinner meeting to be held at Planter's Dock in Lafayette will be the General Contractors Association of Contra Costa

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What Goes On at an Active Improvement Group Meeting . . .

(Editor's Note: The following is the complete minutes passed on to us by Orindans, Inc. which met January 3. The SUN welcomes the same type of material from other groups throughout the community. This story, except for a minimum of editing, is a verbatim report.)

B. E. Monroe brought up the question of who put up the two new signs — one on Overhill Road and another on Northwood Drive. R. E. Wadsworth explained that possibly the realtors or the subdividors of the property adjacent to these streets put them up for their own convenience.

He went on further to explain that Joe Ortland is working on the proposed new Redwood street sign. Ben Mallary requested that the sample be brought before the next public meeting in February.

PLACE SIGN

Stan Allen stated that he would like to see some sort of sign placed on the right side entering Orinda from Lafayette and Berkeley to depict the rustic beauty of our community. Mallary was designated to contact the State Highway commission to see if such a sign can be placed along the side of the highway. He will report at the next meeting.

James Polese of Overhill Court would like to know what is being done to keep the community free of obnoxious signs. Wadsworth explained that our deed restrictions prohibit signs larger than 2'x4', but it was agreed that we have no control over such matters when it comes to the business district..

We are, however, entering a strenuous objection to the Orinda Association and the Orinda Sun that these signs should not be of the glaring type and should be in keeping with the quiet beauty of our community.

SPEED LIMIT

Herbert Hauser sent a message by proxy that the Supervisors will act upon a speed limit along Moraga Highway and the order will be not to exceed 35 m.p.h.. Signs will be posted soon.

Mr. Monroe asked Dr. H. S. Kimball what constitutes our community hospitalization. The doctor stated that we have a community hospital at Martinez for emergency but that it does not admit polio cases.

Wadsworth was asked for a report on the progress of the sewer district. He stated that every effort is being made to get sewers into Sleepy Hollow, Miner Road and Lower El Toyonal as these in their opinion are the most needy districts. He also stated that Moraga Estates and Glorietta should have main trunks and pumping plant completed by late Fall.

NOT AGAIN, PLEASE

At this point Mallary stated that we cannot and will not tolerate the terrible road conditions that we had last year when the E. B. M. U. D. put in its new main on Moraga Highway. It caused a very hazardous condition during the wet season and we cannot tolerate a recurrence when the sewers are installed along the side roads.

The Orindans wish to go on record to extend their appreciation for the splendid work the County Surveyor's Department is doing in black-topping gutter and curb between Black's Market and the Post Office.

Dr. Kimball would like to have the Orinda Sun publish a notice to all prospective builders in Moraga Estates to notify him of their intentions so that the committee can decide whether the proposed building meets with requirements of our deed restrictions.

Mallary suggested that we should bring in a tax expert to explain why our taxes are so high and to determine whether the adjacent manufacturers are paying the required amount of taxes. This would alleviate high residential rates. It was further proposed that we have a large meeting to hear this man.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m. — J. J. Blaney, Secretary.

Single Polio Case Costs $2,400 to $10,000, March Dimes Chairman Says

The local March of Dimes campaign is well under way for the most intensive all-out effort yet planned to fight infantile paralysis, according to Mrs. Roberta Spiegl, Orinda campaign chairman.

With the campaign in its second week, all March of Dimes coin cans have been distributed to various retail outlets, banks and other business firms, and, as of this date, every phone subscriber should have received a March of Dimes coin envelope illustrated with little Linda Browne stepping out of a wheel chair and the slogan, "Look, I can walk again".

HERE ARE FACTS

"We are faced with the fact that Contra Costa Chapter's polio treasury is completely exhausted. More than 200 active and residual infantile paralysis cases in Contra Costa have drained our financial reserves completely dry," the chairman said.

"Make no mistake about it! The Chapter needs the aid and support of each and every person if we are to provide adequate hospitalization, care and treatment for both our stricken children and adults. Think of the terrible predicament we'll find ourselves in if another severe epidemic ravages the County in 1949 as it did last year.

"Don't forget. The average case of infantile paralysis can cost from $2400 to $10,000 depending upon the severity and length of the case," the chairman declared. "And a single case of polio in any household could bankrupt that unfortunate family. Let's get behind this drive — for our own personal insurance against economic disaster."

Those who have received their March of Dimes envelopes are asked to mail them either to their chairman or, send them to Contra Costa Chapter, National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, 338 Ninth Street, Room E, Richmond.

The phone number at the Richmond March of Dimes headquarters is 8045-J on campaign matters. For those who wish to report a case of infantile paralysis or require informaiton regarding polio, the number is Dr. Martin Mills, field director, March of Dimes, at Richmond 5200.

A LITTLE INFANTILE PARALYSIS VICTIM, 4-year old Johnny Harris, has the honor of being the first Contra Costa resident to make a donation in the new March of Dimes cans. He is shown with his mother, Mrs. Jannetta Harris, of Antioch. Picture was taken at the Walnut Creek Polio Clinic, conducted each week by Mrs. Mary Doyle, of Danville, who is one of the two physio-therapists maintained by Contra Costa Chapter. Orinda and Lafayette residents are joining the entire nation in contributing to this worthwhile campaign.

Curtain Calls: Saturday Shows Are Underway

Teatro para Ninos started the new year off with a very enjoyable program, and will continue every Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Orinda Grammar School.

There were two birthdays last week with a special cartoon. Terry Hall was there and Sue Donovan brought her 23 guests to help her celebrate her birthday.

There is a new serial that shows promise of being equally as thrilling as the last one, and a a new source of films has been located, it is hoped that even better shows can be planned.

John Winrod, Ed Lucas and Tom Klement did a fine job of ushering. Nancy Veitch helped out with saluting of the flag.

This Saturday Marge Lee Williams will be celebrating her sixth birthday with 15 guests.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

"Life" is the subject of the Christian Science Lesson-Sermon for Sunday, January 16, with the Golden Text taken from John: "Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you" (6:27).

Included in the sermon are the following citations:

The Bible: "And the devil said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, command this stone that it be made bread. And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God" (Luke 4:3, 4).

"Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "The Scriptures say, 'Man shall not live by bread **alone**, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God,' showing that Truth is the actual life of man; but mankind objects to making this teaching practical" (p. 410).

WEEKEND IN SNOW

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Coggins Sr., of Orchard Road are spending the week at Paradise and Inskip. Mrs. Coggins is going for a rest, but Clyde intends to get out and explore snow conditions.

Tryouts Held for Dramateur Production

By BETTY BRODERICK

Tryous for the Orinda Dramateurs next play, "January Thaw", were held at the Nathan Greys' home in Oak Springs Wednesday evening and will be held again next Wednesday at 8 p.m.

January Thaw, recently a New York hit, was written by William Roos and will be directed by James Keilty assisted by Clint Sherwood. Choice of this play was made only after a play reading committee composed of Barbara West, Carol Harrison, Lois Levy, James Jordan and Helen Vurek spent a great deal of time and effort to select an outstanding play for the Dramateurs next production.

PLAY A SUCCESS

The play itself has been an outstanding professional success and should prove an interesting choice for the group. Certainly it is a step in the right direction with an amazingly varied group of characters involved in one of the most amusing situations one can imagine. Fast moving, with a real plot, good stage settings and full of real laughs January Thaw may well be the best production yet presented by the Dramateurs.

Newcomers to the community and teen age girls are invited to attend tryouts. Experience, while valuable, is not essential, and anyone interested in joining the group and taking part in its activities, whether acting, stage setting, make-up, promotion or other business of the theater may call Mike Murphy, president, for further details. Teen-agers, while not eligible for membership are invited to the tryouts if they wish to tryout for any of the teen-age parts of the production.

OPPORTUNITY OPEN

The Orinda Dramateurs now stand on the threshhold of their greatest opportunity to advance and grow with the community since it is the only organization providing the proving ground for new talent for the theater in the Orinda area.

While the group is sensitive to criticism, that very criticism is the spur to bigger and better efforts. They know that their friends do not apply a professional yardstick when measuring non-professional talent, but by the same token no one in the group expects his friends to wink at slip-shod workmanship. For the casting of "January Thaw" a special casting committee has been selected to assist the director so that when the cast has been chosen it will be the very best talent available for the various roles.

PROSPECT OF PLAY

With an excellent play, a good cast, and good direction this effort of the Dramateurs should be a further indication of the group's ability.

Actual staging of the play will be at Acalanes High School on the nights of April 15th and 16th.

Anyone interested in joining this enthusiastic little theater group should make an effort to be on hand for tryouts next Wednesday evening. The Orinda Dramateurs is not a closed organization. You are cordially invited to join the group if you have any interest in any of the many activities of the theater.

Langley Brooks Invites Friends to Party

A delicious lunch was served and games were played at Langley Brookes' ninth birthday party on Saturday.

Her guests were: Carol Ketsdever, Patty and Judy Courtright, Judy Parker, Judy McAninch, Jane Summers, Mary Lou and Heidi Devin, Sarah Fowler, Ellen Cianciarulo, Ann Shuey, Karen Collings, Kathy Young, Janice Everson, Virginia Stahle, Susan Wasson.

Orinda Cleaners Opens at 8 A.M.

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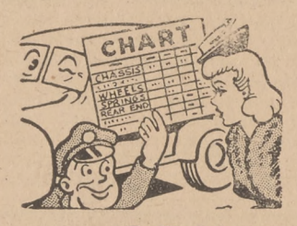

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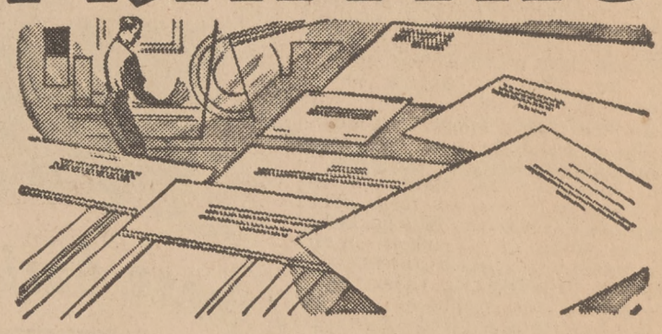

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League-Leading Acalanes Hoopsters Face Red Devils in Traditional Battle

Friday night at 7:30 p.m. when the Acalanes Dons face the Diablo Red Devils on the Mount Diablo High School court, they will be trying to keep their league lead and achieve their fifth straight league win. The "B" team will be trying for its third league victory.

The Don "A" team is presently leading the league with four triumphs and no losses with Pittsburg (3-1), Alhambra (2-2), Crockett (2-2), Antioch (1-3), and Diablo (0-4), behind them in that order. The "B" team is in a three-way tie for third place with Antioch and Pittsburg. Crockett is in first place, Diablo in second and Alhambra in sixth.

DONS FAVORED

With the Dons' four-out-of-four record, they should be the favorite to beat Diablo, but in a traditional game like this anything can happen. The "B" team showed much improvement in the Alhambra game last Friday, especially on defense. The "B" starting lineup is still undecided, according to Coach Eaton, in several positions.

The "A" lineup according to Coach Mattson will be that which started the Alhambra game: Lynn Amason and Marshall Freeman, forwards; Harry Nielson, center; and Larry Feagans and Roy Van den Heuvel at the guard spots.

FERRO OUT

Bob Ferro, varsity guard who missed the Alhambra game, will probably still be out with a bad cold.

Pointing out that local supporters seeking admittance to the stands had far exceeded seating capacity, school ticket officials expressed regret at being forced to turn away fans and advised ardent supporters to arrive early. Space and safety and fire regulations require limiting spectators to 700 persons, it was explained.

New Paint Job, Car Skid, Crash, Poor Paint Job

Kenneth Cook of Sun Valley was driving home from Oakland about a week ago after picking his car up at a garage where it had just been freshly painted.

As he approached the Tunnel entrance, a car coming out of it skidded on the icy pavement, went out of control, and neatly crossed four lanes where the two crashed.

No one was seriously injured, but it was "goodby" to his car's new paint job and all.

Dons Top Alhambra in Double Header

The Acalanes Dons came through last Friday night when the varsity and Bee clubs put on second half spurts after bitterly contested games with the Alhambra Bulldogs.

The varsity won 39-30 while the Bees came through 20-13.

The varsity game found a nip and tuck first half with a display of good offensive and defensive play on the part of both fives. Half time found Acalanes on the short end of a 19-17 score.

SECOND HALF

The second half found the Dons going into high gear paced by some good shooting on the part of Harry Nielson and Marshall Freeman who had 14 and 13 points respectively to show for the evenings play.

THE BEE GAME

The Bee game was much a repetition of the varsity fray in that they held a four point lead on the basis of a 13-9 score at half time and went on to speed the pace for a 20-13 win.

The win marked their second in league play to give them a .500 average.

Elsewhere in league play John Swett lost to the Pittsburg varsity while capturing the Bee tilt. Antioch split with Diablo as their Bees were defeated while their varsity posted their first league win.

TO GO ON ROAD

Next week the Dons take to the road again to meet the Diablo Red Devils at Concord. John Swett meets the strong Antioch fives at Antioch while Pittsburg meets up with Alhambra at Martinez.

All contests are scheduled to get under way at 7:30 p.m. Friday January 14th.

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FROM THE SIDELINES

By Coach Erwin Mattson

The past week's league basketball play has definitely shown the need for additional spectator space. In every case people were turned away due to overflowing gyms with people literally hanging from the rafters.

The gyms involved were at Pittsburg, Concord and Martinez. No statistics are available but on the basis of personal observation it appears to be that Contra Costa is definitely in the sports minded class as far as high school athletics are concerned. A high percentage of the people of the area attend the various events and only the lack of facilities has prevented an even greater attendance.

BASKETBALL DEFENSES

As each week of the season progresses it only tends to bear out the early contention in regards to the closeness of competition between the respective teams of the county league.

Each week's scores show that any one team is capable of defeating any other five on a good night.

The Dons have managed to win all of their league contests to date but in no instance has the margin been a wide one. In all but one less than ten points marked the difference.

It is also a point of interest to note the defense used.

ZONE DEFENSE

Acalanes and John Swett have been exponents of the zone defense whereas Antioch, Alhambra and Diablo have used a man to man defense. Pittsburg has used both styles.

The theory of each is quite different in its objective and many arguments can be given pro and con as to which is best.

The zones strong point is to prevent short shots by keeping a mass of players between the ball and the bucket. Medium length shots are obtainable by means of fast and clever passing while keeping the offensive players well spread on the floor.

FORCING OPPONENT TO PASS

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MAN TO MAN DEFENSE

Man to man defense is as the name indicates a matching of individual players. Each player has an opponent to watch on defense and he follows him wherever he goes. The maxim is to keep between your man and the bucket.

It fixes definite responsibility as charts can readily show what man made the bucket and consequently who was on guard duty at the time.

Many argue that man to man makes players more agressive but sometimes that is a disadvantage as it results in more contact and resulting personal fouls. The main disadvantage is that one weak defensive player can upset the whole defense. Set plays also work much better against a man to man defense.

PREFERRED BY COLLEGES

Colleges in general prefer the man to man style due to the fact that they encounter better ball handlers and surer long shots than does the average high school.

The fact remains that most coaches make variations in their defensive and offensive preparations each week on the basis of the opposition's strength and weaknesses as revealed by scouting or game experience.

The second round of play will be interesting to watch with coaches having a better understanding of players abilities and the resulting tactics which will be used to upset an opponent.

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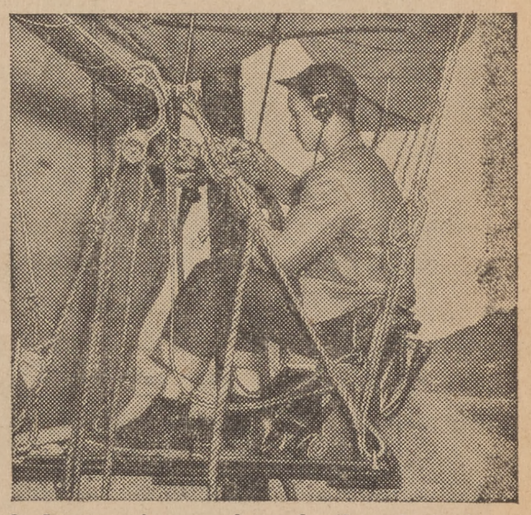

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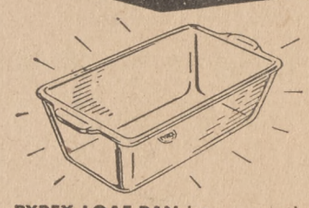

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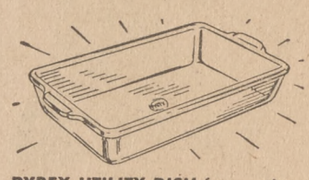

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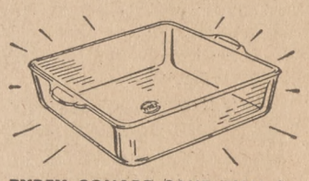

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Report Progress at Church Meeting

Progress in both physical and spiritual ways in all departments was reported at the annual business meeting of Orinda Community Church Wednesday evening, when members of the church and congregation gathered for "pot-luck" and the conduct of yearly business.

A seventeen-page book containing reports of boards, committees and organizations was circulated among those present. A 37% growth in membership and a 26% increase in Church school enrollment have kept pace with the provision of physical quarters and equipment achieved within the past year. Greater activity among young people is registered in the increase of attendance and interest in the Pilgrim Fellowship, and in the proportion of teen-agers in the church membership.

Church Council and Diaconate groups have instituted activities designed to increase church attendance, growth and participation. Financial reports show a healthy condition in the community's support of the institution, and businesslike conduct of the budget.

A pot luck dinner at 6:30 preceded the business meeting.

Kirk Miles presided at the affair. Arrangements were in the hands of members of the two Guilds, Mrs. W. P. Mott, Mrs. R. P. Hafner, Mrs. George Mulligan, Mrs. A. D. Henry, Mrs. Horace Breed, Mrs. Harper Wright and Mrs. U. B. Smith.

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A valuable prize will be awarded. Child care will be provided in the church for a charge of 35c for the entire afternoon. Tickets may be obtained from Guild members and officers for $1.25. Mrs. Ida Zamloch is general chairman for the affair and is being assisted by Mrs. Arthur Bowman.

Sermon to Discuss Durant's Address

Will Durant's recent address regarding progress and peace will be the springboard for the sermon by Rev. Fred Morrow at Orinda Community Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. He will speak on "Where is the Kingdom of God?"

The choir under Mary Elizabeth Tomme will sing, with Virginia Baker at the organ. The Sunday school expands into the new Children's Unit dedicated last week, meeting at 9:30. Nursery, kindergarten and primary age children occupy the new quarters. At 7 o'clock the Pilgrim Fellowship meets at the church hall under sponsorship of Fred and Mildred Twining.

Susan Donovan Gives Theater Party at School

Susan Donovan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hank Donovan, celebrated her sixth birthday on Saturday, spending the afternoon at the show at the Orinda school. Guests enjoyed ice cream and cake afterward at the Orinda Restaurant.

Susan couldn't take her guests home for birthday cake because her brother Michael had mumps. Her guests were Claud Monlux, Terry Hall, Jud Carter, Lois Allara, Diane Traverso, Valerie Silva, Jeanie Marlow, David Doxsee, Gerrie Olsen, Wendy Nelson, Sue Tharpe, Michel Harrer, Marjie Delos, Peter Olson, Marjie Lee Williams, Cassandra Horton, Julie Edelin, Janice Seatz, Noel Jones, and Patty Noonan. Susan Polece could not attend at she was away at the snow that weekend, and Dick Allen and Billy Brailsford were both at home with mumps.

DINNER PARTY

Mrs. C. F. Zamloch is entertaining eight guests at dinner Sunday. They are all old friends from Oakland.

Clipper Club to Hear Mr. Finegan

Mountain-scaling bible scholar, Jack Finegan of the Pacific School of Religion, is the speaker for the January 14 flight of the Orinda Clipper, taking off from the home of Chuck and Mollie Blue, 35 Claremont Ave. A much-dated speaker, he has been on the Clipper "try-to-get" list for over a year. New officers will be installed.

Seafarers Elect Ship Officers

At the meeting of the Seafarers January 7, the following couples were elected:

For skipper, Walter and Naomi Nicklas; for mate, Ralph and Ruth Wilson; for purser, Tom and Ethel Meaken; for quartermaster, Chester and Carrie Brown. Mrs. Ida Zamloch was elected look-out, Fred Morrow, chaplain; and members of the nominating committee. Laura Sisson, Ruth Wilson, and Florence Penfield.

Lance and Dorothy Barden, host and hostess, were assisted by Miss Muriel Hanson. After the dessert and business meeting the group heard two recordings, "An Other Man's Shoes", and "A Neighborhood Center in Vienna." These were dramatized stories of incidents in the work of the American Friends Service Committee in Europe and were intensely interesting and appealing.

The pleasant evening was closed with the playing of games challenging one's memory, and singing.

GUESTS AT SOJOURNER CLUB

Included in the group which numbered around 150 members of the Sojourner Club who enjoyed a banquet in Vallejo Tuesday evening were Coloned Harold Herman of the U. S. Army (retired), Captain Parker of the U. S. Navy, and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. McGregor of Lafayette Oaks.

Birthday Party Given For Carolyn Cullen

All the children joined in and sang Happy Birthday when the cake was carried in at Carolyn Cullen's sixth birthday.

The party was held at Carolyn's house on Saturday from 3:00 to 5:00. Those present were: Patty and David Brown, Bobby Summers, Sally Schmitt, Sally and Allen Sutton, Joyce and Bobby Bailey, Hetty Dutra, Carolyn Schuler, Carol March, Bill and Jeff Swarck and Denise Cullen.

Shower Honors Mrs. Miller, Mrs. DeWitt

Mrs. Rusell M. Gilwee and Mrs. Colvin Doughty were co-hostesses at a shower-luncheon given for Mrs. G. W. Miller, and Mrs. Clinton De Witt on January 7th.

On December 30th, Mrs. G. W. Miller adopted a little baby girl and named her Nancy Lawton Miller. Mrs. Clinton De Witt had a baby boy six weeks ago, named Dwight De Witt.

The guests at the shower were: Mesdames Eugene Shurtleff, Edward Solinsky, Val Brookes, James Schweizer, Lawton Shurtleff, and Anthony Cianciarulo.

JOINT MEETING

Phi Chi, high school youth group of the Piedmont Community Church were entertained by the local Pilgrim Fellowship Sunday evening in the church hall. The sound motion picture 'Letter from China" was shown and greatly enjoyed. The two groups got better acquainted during the serving of refreshments and the playing of games following the more serious part of the program.

Down Sleepy Hollow Way

By BILLIE GREENLAW

To mention our unusual cold snap is becoming a dull subject and truly we are all grumbling.

We can't garden, the grounds and plants are frozen, the wash freezes on the line, pipes burst, and it's even too cold to shake a dust mop outside. So, what to do?

We can raise our spirits and excuse our inactivity by staying inside by a crackling fire (or have you priced wood lately?), reading a whodunit or contemplating the headaches of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce. And we can keep articles from freezing by putting them into the refrigerator. You see, there is compensation after all.

NOTE TO A TROOPER:

Dear Brian: You're only four years old but your mom and dad, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Reynolds of 4 Irving Court tell what a brave fellow you were last week when you had your tonsils out. It wasn't any fun but you'll be lots better now — out playing and back to school soon.

NEW BABY

Sherril Ann and Paul Locklin are thrilled with the news of a new baby brother. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Locklin of Sleepy Hollow Lane announced the arrival on January 7th of Mark Douglas, weight nine pounds, two ounces.

DINNER GUESTS

The Channing Kilburns on Crane Court entertained as dinner guests Saturday Mr. and Mrs. John Wagner and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Burnette of Oakland.

MORE MUMPS

Sorry to hear from Mrs. Joseph Lang that the mumps finally caught up with daughter Luzanne.

Here and There in Orinda

AT BOWL GAME

Mr. and Mrs. George Horton were among Orinda people at the Rose Bowl game.

NEW GRANDCHILD

Mrs. Keene Pettengill of Orinda is in Sacramento spending a week with her daughter who just presented her with a grandchild.

EXTEND SYMPATHY

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. George Goerl on the death of Mrs. Goerl's mother, Mrs. Ohlin. Mrs. Ohlin died very suddenly last Saturday of a heart attack.

ON WAY TO RECOVERY

Rickey Goerl, seven year old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Goerl, who came down with polio on the day after Christmas, is reported doing well and making rapid strides toward recovery. Rickey is at Children's Hospital in San Francisco.

MORE MUMPS

Marjie Delos, second grade, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Delos, is out of school this week with mumps.

BUILDING HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fuller are building a new home at 6 Woodland Road. They hope it will be completed in a couple of months.

HOST OPEN HOUSE

The T. Kirk Miles hosted a gay New Year's open house at their home on La Playa. Guests called throughout the afternoon, and particularly admired Mrs. Miles' festive seasonal decorations. Mr. Miles returned recently from a business trip East, during which he visited his father, Dr. Walter R. Miles of Yale University, New Haven, Conn.

ENJOY SNOW SPORTS

Mrs. Douglas Williams of Woodland Road spent last weekend enjoying snow sports. Mrs. Williams went to the mountains with friends from town.

HOME WITH MUMPS

Billy Brailsford, first grade, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brailsford, is at home this week with mumps.

BUY NEW HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dunnigan have bought the Sanborn home on Brookside Drive. The Dunnigans plan some extensive remodeling and hope to move some time in February. They have sold their present Orchard Road home to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wood.

TRAVEL TO SNOW

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Silva of Crest View Drive spent the New Year weekend at the snow.

BACK TO SCHOOL

A group of Orinda young people who have returned to college after holiday vacations at home includes: Joan Jacobus, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Jacobus, University of Arizona; Dick Symes, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Symes, Colorado; Tom Gentry, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Gentry, Idaho University; and Nancy Chantler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Chantler, Oregon State College.

NO MORE TONSILS

Virginia Lee Ketsdever, 4 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ketsdever, had her tonsils removed last week at Permanente Hospital.

IN ORINDA CONTINGENT

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Murphy are among those still relating tales about the Rose Bowl game, which they enjoyed so much. But Mr. and Mrs Wayne Littlejohn primarily remember being tied up for an hour and a half in the snow storm over the Ridge Route.

HUNTING TRIP

Mike Murphy reports seeing Forrest Honnold, who recently moved from Orinda to Davis, on several occasions these past few weeks. They have been enjoying hunting together.

SERIOUSLY ILL

Bing Crosby, Orinda's cheerful and helpful postal clerk, has been seriously ill for some time and was brought home from Merritt Hospital December 30. Mrs. Crosby reports that he will be home for at least several months.

Orinda School Kids Print Paper

By MARIANNE SOMERS

The Orinda school has printed one paper this year and hopes to publish one every other month.

The paper staff consists of Ned Druhe, editor, who has done an excellent job of keeping the paper in order. Catharine Monroe, business manager, has had charge of soliciting advertising and keeping account of sales. Marianne Somers is responsible for Gossip and Publicity.

Room reporters, usually two from a room, were appointed. Joe Conley was sports editor. Marianne Somers and Barbara Smith did the stencilling for the ads and cartoons. Also, thanks should go to Judy Hall for doing such a beautiful job on writing and drawing the ads.

The paper came out Monday, December thirteenth, and sold for five cents a copy. We made $6.90 selling and $14.25 in advertising.

Everyone thinks the paper was a huge success.

Gift Dog Causes Excitement at Party

On December 21st, a new addition joined the Allara family of 15 Woodland Road. It was a "German Short Haired Pedigreed Pointer", a gift to Lois Allara on her eighth birthday from her mother, daddy and brothers Jaspar and Denny.

She has named the dog "Belle". "Belle" received all the attention she could hope for because she arrived on the day that Lois was having her birthday party. Those present were: Peggy Kalbfleisch, Susan Allen, Margie Delos, Linda Axelson, Jane Knudson, Michael Donovan, Cassandra Horton, Gail Friede, Patty Bonds, Marilyn Daniels, Margie Williams and Lois' two brothers, Jaspar and Denny.

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